

Recycling and Sanitation Commission  
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting  
May 20, 2009

Commission Members and Others in Attendance:

Bob Clark (Guest and Representative of Key Sanitation)

Peggy Fleming

Tonya Lee (Guest)

Gene Lichtman (Chairman)

Tom Neff

Wendi Peters (Town Council Liaison)

Chris Spaur (Guest Representing Cub Scouts)

Mary Van Metre (Member & Town Staff)

Note: Pete Bowlus was not present.

1. Chairman Gene Lichtman called the meeting to order. He introduced and welcomed Chris Spaur, a former commission member.
2. **Cub Scouts Recycling Program – Town Parks**
  - a. It has been noted that the Town does not offer recycling at the parks.
  - b. The cub scouts would like to offer recycling at Watkins Park and Prospect Park
  - c. Mr. Spaur has discussed this with Councilman Nelson and Steve Mullinix. He would pick up the recycling once a week and put it into the town's recycling stream.
  - d. The scouts would purchase two blue recycling containers with holes for cans/plastic bottles and with lids that can be locked down. They would like to chain the recycling containers to the same post as the trash cans. The Lions Club has donated \$250 towards the purchase of the recycling containers.
  - e. Mr. Clark of Key Sanitation will check on prices and let Mr. Spaur know. Mary Van Metre will check with Councilwoman Peters to see what the cost would be to purchase one of the town's toters.
  - f. Chris Spaur will keep the Commission posted.
  - g. The Boy Scouts are checking on three recycling containers to be used at the Lions Club Carnival.
3. **Spring Bulk Pick-Up**
  - a. Bob Clark, Key Sanitation distributed a report for the Spring Bulk Pick up held April 25.
  - b. 29.64 tons of bulk collected and taken to the landfill. 6.13 tons of metal collected for a total of 35.77 tons. There was approximately 60% participation.
  - c. The spring seems to be the best time for curbside bulk pick-up. Increasing to three items worked well.
  - d. A decision needs to be made regarding basketball nets and poles for the next pick-up.
4. **Frederick County – Additional Recycling Date**
  - a. Council Liaison Peters has been in contact with Frederick County and is waiting for a formal letter.
  - b. The Frederick County contract waste hauler, Allied, will not allow another hauler to pick-up in their area.
  - c. This may be re-evaluated at a later time.

**5. St. James E-Cycling Program Request**

- a. Mayor Pyatt and Council Liaison Peters received a letter from The Rev. Portia Hirschman requesting help from the town for the e-cycling program.
- b. Their program has been more successful than anticipated and the church would like some financial assistance in order to keep the program going.
- c. The Commission discussed the request and decided not to go forward with helping with the e-cycling program. Residents living outside of the town can participate in the e-cycling and the Commission felt the town's tax dollars should not be used.

**6. Maryland Municipal League Award**

- a. Councilwoman Peters advised us she had submitted the Single Stream Recycling Pilot Program for the Maryland Municipal League Green Award. She has not heard anything to date.

**7. Next meeting will be Wednesday, July 15 @ 7p.m.**

***SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS:***

- Mr. Clark of Key Sanitation will check prices of can/bottle recycling containers for the Cub Scouts.
- Mr. Chris Spaur will let the Commission know how the Cub Scouts are doing with the recycling program at Watkins and Prospect Parks.

Peggy Fleming, Secretary